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CLAIM SET AS AMENDED

1-12. (Canceled)

13. (Currently Amended) A method for <u>copy protection</u>, <u>decrypting an encrypted</u> <u>digital data file</u>, comprising:

generating a data unit, the data unit including two portions, each of the two portions having a different protection level with respect to the other; and

transferring the data unit to a target device which has previously shared information for allowing transmission of the data unit.

partially decrypted and reencrypted in a first decryption unit; and using a second decryption unit to decrypt the received reencrypted data file, wherein the second decryption unit is different from the first decryption unit.

- 14. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 13, wherein the partial decryption of further comprising the step of partially decrypting the data unit file is performed at a plurality of locations spaced apart at a predetermined interval on the data-file unit.
- 15. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 13 claim 14, further comprising the step of storing the partially decrypted data file unit in a data storage medium or a digital data player.

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16. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 13 claim 14, further comprising the step

of decrypting the a remainder of the partially decrypted data-file unit in the target device.

17. (Currently Amended) The method of -claim 13, wherein the data file unit is

partially decrypted based on a predetermined encryption key.

18. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 15, further comprising the step of

reading the partially decrypted stored data file unit from the data storage medium or the digital

data player and reproducing the data-file unit at the request of a user.

19. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 18, further comprising the step of

decrypting the data file unit based on a predetermined encryption key, and outputting the

decrypted data-file unit to an output line.

20. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 14, wherein the predetermined

interval is a multiple or divisor of a buffer size.

21. (Currently Amended) A digital data decryption system for copy protection,

comprising:

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a computer adapted to generate a data unit, the data unit including two portions, each of

the two portions having a different protection level with respect to the other; and

a target device for receiving the data unit after the target device has previously shared

information for allowing transmission of the data unit.

a first receiving unit for receiving an encrypted digital data file;

a first decryption unit for decrypting a portion of the encrypted data file while leaving the

remaining portion of the data file encrypted, thereby creating a partially decrypted data file; and

a second decryption unit for subsequently decrypting the partially decrypted data file.

22. (Currently Amended) The system of claim 21, wherein the partial decryption of

the data-file received by the first receiving unit is performed further comprising a first

decryption unit in the computer for locating the two portions of the data unit at a plurality of

locations spaced apart at a predetermined interval on the digital data-file unit.

23. (Previously Presented) The system of claim 22, wherein the predetermined

interval is a multiple or divisor of a buffer size.

24. (Currently Amended) The system of claim 21, further comprising a data storage

medium associated with the first receiving unit computer for storing the partially decrypted data

file unit.

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- 25. (Currently Amended) The system of claim 21, wherein the data-file unit received by the first receiving unit computer target device is partially decrypted based on a predetermined encryption key.
- 26. (Currently Amended) The system of clam 21, wherein the target device is a digital data playing device, further comprising a the digital data player playing device for receiving the partially decrypted data file unit from the computer, wherein the digital data player playing device includes the a second decryption unit.
- 27. (Currently Amended) A method for decrypting an encrypted digital data file copy protection, comprising:

registering a computer with a digital data server;

reencrypting the decrypted data file;

transferring an encrypted data unit from the server to the computer;

generating a partially decrypted data unit in the computer, the partially decrypted data unit including two portions which are encrypted at different levels with respect to each other; receiving the encrypted data file in a first receiving unit; transferring the encrypted data file to a first decryption unit; using the first decryption unit to decrypt a portion of the data file received in the first receiving unit while leaving the remaining portion of the data file encrypted; storing the decrypted data file in a buffer;

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transferring the partially decrypted data unit to a target device having a second decryption

unit; and

using a-the second decryption unit for decrypting the reencrypted partially decrypted

digital data-file unit.

28. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 27, wherein the step of partially

decrypting the portion of the encrypted data unit file received in the first receiving unit computer

is performed at a plurality of locations spaced apart at a predetermined interval on the digital

partially decrypted data file unit.

29. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 27, further comprising the step of

storing the reencrypted partially decrypted data-file unit in a data storage medium of or a digital

data player.

30. (Canceled)

31. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 27, wherein the data file unit received

by the first receiving unit target device is partially decrypted based on a predetermined

encryption key.

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(Currently Amended) The method of claim 29, further comprising the step of

reading the partially decrypted stored data-file unit from the data storage medium and

reproducing the <u>partially decrypted</u> data <u>unit</u> <u>file</u> at the <u>upon</u> request of a user.

33. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 32, further comprising the steps of:

sending the reencrypted partially decrypted digital data file unit to the digital data player;

decrypting the reencrypted data file unit based on a predetermined encryption key; and

outputting the decrypted data file unit to an output line of the digital data player.

34. (Canceled)

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35. (Canceled)

36. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 27, further comprising the steps of:

partially decrypting the encrypted data unit in the computer is performed independently

of operating providing the first decryption unit in a computer; and

providing the second decryption unit in a separate the target device which operates

independently from the computer,

wherein the partially decrypted data file is transferred from the computer to the separate device.

37. (Canceled)

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38. (New) The method of claim 13, further comprising the steps of:

registering a computer with a data server;

transferring encrypted data from the data server to the computer to generate;

the data unit in a first decryption unit of the computer; and

using a second decryption unit of the target device and the shared information to decrypt the data unit.

39. (New) The system of claim 21, further comprising:

a data server for transferring encrypted data from the data server to the computer, the computer including a first decryption unit to generate the data unit based on the encrypted data,

wherein the target device receives the data unit from the computer, the target device having a second decryption unit for decrypting the data unit using the shared information.